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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: SCUL, PFOR, HU

SUBJECT: CONVERSATION WITH DEPUTY FONMIN NAGY -- PART II:  
DEAK CASE

REF: BUDAPEST 0620

1. DURING MARCH 19 DISCUSSION WITH DEPUTY FONMIN JANOS NAGY, AMBASSADOR SAID THAT IN AFTERMATH SOLUTION OF DEAK CASE HE HAD BEEN INSTRUCTED TO MAKE FEW POINTS. HE NOTED THAT, AFTER HIS FIRST PROMPT APPROACHES TO FONOFF, HE HAD REFRAINED FROM DIRECT DEMARCHES TO GOH ON SUBJECT, LEAVING IT TO BE HANDLED MAINLY BETWEEN KKI AND IREX. NOW USG WANTED TO EXPRESS A FEW POINTS ITSELF.

2. AMBASSADOR THEN EXPRESSED US PLEASURE AT DECISION DEAK WILL BE ABLE REVISIT HUNGARY AND AT AGREEMENT BETWEEN IREX AND KKI TO RESUME EXCHANGES.

3. SAID US WANTED GOH TO KNOW THAT NOT ONLY THE AMERICAN ACADEMIC COMMUNITY BUT ALSO THE US GOVT WAS DISMAYED OVER THE INCIDENT.

4. SAID WE HOPED SUCH PROBLEMS COULD BE AVOIDED IN FUTURE.  
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SAID WE EXPECT EXCHANGE VISITORS TO COMPLY WITH

HUNGARIAN LAW AND HAVE CONFIDENCE THAT THEY WILL DO SO. IF, HOWEVER, SOME ASPECTS OF THEIR BEHAVIOR PRESENT DIFFICULTIES FOR HUNGARIAN AUTHORITIES, WE WOULD EXPECT TO BE INFORMED OF THIS AND WOULD FEEL SURE EXCHANGE SCHOLARS WOULD ALTER THEIR CONDUCT APPROPRIATELY. IN THIS WAY WE WOULD BEST BE ABLE TO PRESERVE THE FREEDOM OF SCHOLARS TO PURSUE THEIR RESEARCH AND AVOID ANY EMBARRASSMENT EITHER TO HUNGARIAN AUTHORITIES, THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT OR AMERICANS RESPONSIBLE FOR EXCHANGE PROGRAM.

5. NAGY SAID ISSUE HAD BEEN DIFFICULT TO RESOLVE ON GOH SIDE. STRESSED AGAIN IT WAS AN "ISOLATED" INSTANCE, RARE IN OUR RELATIONS, AND UNLIKELY TO HAPPEN AGAIN. IT WAS IMPORTANT TO KEEP REACTIONS IN PERSPECTIVE TOO. HE NODDED WHEN AMBASSADOR READ LAST PARA AND MADE NO COMMENTS IN DEFENSE OF THEIR HANDLING OF THE EXPULSION. DURING COURSE OF CONVERSATION HE EXPRESSED PLEASURE OTHER EXCHANGE DEVELOPMENTS HAD CONTINUED DURING DEAK CASE BUT MADE NO MENTION OF CULTURAL AGREEMENT.  
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